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#### CLAIMS

#### What is claimed is:

1 1.	A method for enabling E-commerce transactions
2	between a vendor and a consumer, the method
3	comprising the steps of:
4	providing a secured network that stores
5	consumer data and approved vendor
6	information;
7	receiving transaction information at the
8	secured network;
9	processing the transaction information to
10	determine whether the transaction
11	information conforms with the stored
12	consumer data and approved vendor
13	information; and
14	delivering the stored consumer data to the
15 <sup>-</sup>	vendor if the transaction information
16	is determined to conform with the
17	stored consumer data and approved
18	vendor information.

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1	2.	The method of claim 1, wherein the step of
2		providing a secured network further comprises:
3		providing a virtual private network (VPN)
4		that enables secured communication of
5		the transaction information.
1	3.	The method of claim 1, wherein the step of
2		processing the transaction information to
3		determine whether the transaction information
4		conforms with the stored consumer data and
5		approved vendor information further comprises:
6		determining whether the transaction
7		information contains a consumer
8		identification indicator; and
9		determining whether the transaction
10		information contains a vendor
11		identification indicator.
1	4.	The method of claim 3, further comprising:
2		determining whether the consumer
_		identification to 10 meters conforme with

the stored consumer data; and

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6			identif	ication	indicator	confo	rms with
7			the	stored	appro	ved	vendor
8			informa	tion.			
1	5.	An app	aratus	for	enabling	ј Е-	commerce
2		transacti	ons betw	veen a	vendor an	ıd a c	onsumer,
3		the appar	atus com	prising:			
4		a se	cured ne	twork tl	hat stores	consu	mer data
5			and app	roved ve	endor info	rmation	1;
6		a	transact:	ion re	ceiver t	that	receives
7			transact	tion inf	formation	at the	secured
8			network	;			
9		a p	rocessor	that pr	rocesses t	he tra	nsaction
10			informa	tion to	determin	e whet	her the
11			transac	tion in	formation	confo	rms with
12			the sto	red con	sumer dat	a and	approved
13			vendor :	informat	ion; and	·	
14		a de	elivery m	nodule t	hat deliv	ers th	e stored
15			consume	r data	to the	vendor	if the
16			transact	tion in	formation	is de	termined
17			to conf	form wi	th the s	tored	consumer
18			data and	d approv	ed vendor	inform	nation.

determining

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- 1 6. The apparatus of claim 5, wherein the secured
- 2 network further comprises:
- a virtual private network (VPN) that
- 4 enables secured communication of the
- 5 transaction information.
- 1 7. The apparatus of claim 5, wherein the processor
- 2 further comprises:
- a consumer identification module that
- 4 determines whether the transaction
- 5 information contains a consumer
- 6 identification indicator; and
- 7 a vendor identification module that
- 8 determines whether the transaction
- 9 information contains a vendor
- 10 identification indicator.
  - 1 8. The apparatus of claim 7, wherein the consumer
  - 2 identification module further comprises
  - a first conformity module that determines
  - 4 whether the consumer identification

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5	indicator conforms with the stored
6	consumer data; and
7	wherein the vendor identification module
8	further comprises
9	a second conformity module that determines
10	whether the vendor identification
11	indicator conforms with the stored
12	approved vendor information.